

REMARKS

Claims 1, 6-10 and 14 are currently active.

Claims 4, 5, 12 and 13 have been canceled.

The Examiner has objected to Claims 5-9 and 13-14.

Claims 1 and 10 are Claims 5 and 13, respectively, rewritten in independent form with all the limitations of their base claim and any intervening claims.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully requested that the outstanding rejections and objections to this application be reconsidered and withdrawn, and Claims 1, 6-10 and 14, now in this application be allowed.

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